I know the rules of RDA, my records
never duplicate
Keywords will always find the
subject headings I adjudicate
And though the guy's a sexist creep,
I mastered Dewy Decimal
I am the very model of a library
professional

And Library of Congress
for the proper academical-
He is the very model
of a library professional!

I scan the newest titles to avoid a budget
overrun
While wishing I could just avoid the
fifty from James Patterson
Between cooking and self-help books I
try to squeeze in histories
And wonder if this is the year we
put a bullet in CDs
At social functions I believe with
grace and poise exceptional
Though guilty that my memory for
names is not dependable
I greet officials properly, I'm versed
in all the protocol
And keep imposter syndrome down
with large amounts of alcohol

Imposter syndrome certainly can bereft from alloholl
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Imposter syndrome certainly can bereft
from alco-alcoholl

We keep our patrons reading and
we give them a good place to be
And keep accessible the things that
tell of local history
I love to organize the world
in categories sensible
I am the very model of a library
professional

(With apologies to Gilbert and Sullivan)

He loves to organize
the world in
categories sensible,
He is the very model
of a library
professional!

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When patrons are disruptive then I
have to be "security"
When bathrooms face a horrid mess
the mopping often falls to me,
For "other duties as assigned" is
often labor manual-
I am the very model of a library
professional!

For "other duties as assigned" is
often labor manual,
He is the very model of a
library
professional!

With hope that it will help them build
their information literacy!
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their information literacy!

I am the very model of a library professional
While many think my day is spent in
pages two-dimensional
I flit at work from place to place as
asked by patrons whimsical

And try to stay on top of meetings
and the pile of e-mail-

From Storytimes to D&D to programs
unconventional
I cut the crafts, count up the crowd
and keep the place presentable
My Google-Fu and deep web smarts
find answers for the folks I see
With hope that it will help them
build their information lit'racy

I serve the many groups in our community
with dignity
Incorporating programs and materials
they want to see
And face with fortitude complaints from
bigots indefensible
Policing things that others read for
fear they'll find a genital
With race and social issues they remain
purposefully obtuse
But seem to think I'm going to pull
the Bible or the Dr. Seuss
I wonder when the last time was
they read a book intentional
And spent a day off apps and
social media polemical

They need to ease off
apps and social
media polemical!